

August 20, 1987

Betty Jones  
City Clerk  
Drawer S  
Troy, Mt. 59935

Dear Betty,

Enclosed you will find:

1. Certificate of the Existing Form of Government
2. Certificate of the Proposed Form of Government (Charter)
3. A comparison chart of the characteristics of the above
4. "Self-Government Powers in Montana: A Citizen's Guide"
5. "Charter Writing in Montana: A Citizen's Guide"
6. Two chapters from the 1975 study commission manual on the subject of self-government powers
7. "A Guide to Self-Government Powers in Montana"

I have not included anything concerning the ballot language. Section 7-3-142 MCA, which lists what is needed, does not mention the requirement for a certificate with ballot language. When study commissions put something on the ballot, they do have to prepare a ballot certificate. You are given directions on ballot language in Section 7-3-150 MCA. Your County Clerk and Recorder will be interested in that section. You may want your City Attorney to look at it also, particularly because it mentions the word petition.

I decided to sent you the complete form of government certificates again. What I sent you originally was on poor quality paper. This is a little better.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

Judy Mathre  
Research Associate